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STATE & FEDERAL REGULATIONS AND FUNDING UPDATE

DWAG State and Federal Regulations and Funding Update

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Agenda

- Federal Regulations Update
 - LCRR/LCRI
 - CCR

Public Water System Fee Rule

ODW Funding Update

State and Federal

Regulations



Lead and Copper Rule Improvement (LCRI)

ODW evaluating rule and developing work plan for adoption and implementation.

Plan to open state rule after PFAS rule updates are complete

Other Legal Challenges with LCRR/LCRI

AWWA filed legal challenge against LCRI. Concerns:

- Cost,
- Access to privately owned service lines, and
- 10 Year Replacement deadline

EPA must response to brief June 20th.

Pending Joint Resolution in Congress to remove LCRI

| Detected Compounds | Date Tested | Unit | MCL- Action Level | MCLG | Highest Detected Level | Range | Major Source and Factors |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|--|-------------------------|------|------------------------------|--------------|--|
| Inorganic Contaminants | | | | | | | |
| Copper | 6/29/21 | ppm | 1.3 | 1.3 | 0.182 | 0.02 - 0.182 | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives. |
| Lead | 6/29/21 | ppb | 15 | 0 | .0037 | 0.00037 | Corrosion of household plumbing systems. |
| Fluoride | 2023 Monthly | ppm | 4.0 | 4.0 | 0.88 | 0.49- 0.88 | Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive, promotes strong teeth |
| Disinfectant | | | | | | | |
| Chlorine | 2023 Bi-Monthly | ppm | 4.0 | 4.0 | 1.42 | 0.53-1.39 | Water additive used to control microbes. The average level leaving the Water Filtration Plant was 1.28 ppm. Distribution system average was 1.18ppm. |
| Volatile Organic Contaminants | | 31\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\ | | | | | |
| Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs) | Quarterly 2023 | ppb | 80 | NA | 13.46 | 8.33-13.46 | Disinfection byproduct formed by reaction of chlorine with organic material in water. |
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Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) Rule

ODW will adopt this rule along with the LCRI



Public Water System Fees WAC 246-290-900

Announced Intent of Rule Making April 1, 2024 We've completed a time study and will be proposing new rule language soon

State and Federal

Funding

ODW Previous Funding

General Fund State

Fee Accounts

Federal Funds

PWSS

SRF/BIL

| System | eligibility | programs. | |
|---|--|--|--|
| Fund staff, SCI & RCAC contracts, WALT, & DWSRF Audit | Provide In-Kind Engineering Services to water systems as directed by ODW | Staffing – For Program Administration, Cap Dev & Policy, IT, & Regions; scanning | |

2% Small System

Technical

Assistance

Provide TA to

TMF to ensure

DSW/RF loan

4% Admin &

Technical

Assistance

Administration &

Oversight of

DWSRF Loan

Program

Provide Technical

Assistance to Water

consistent with implement of, systems serving less Capacity capacity than 10,000 people Development development, Strategy operator certification and Support system's Need to develop or

enhance system **TMF Funds Sanitary**

Survey staff and

LJH, coliform TA,

engineering staff;

additional TA

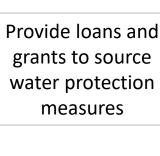
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10 of 15%

Capacity

Development

Cost and Services



Source Water

Protection Staff,

SWAP, Grants

5 of 15% Source

Water

Protection

Supports Source

Water Protection

Activities

team

SRF Set Asides

10% Program

Management

Develop and

source water

protection

Other Smaller Funding Sources

- 1.FPHS GFS
- 2. Alternative Water Funding GFS
- 3. Nitrate Mitigation Plan MTCA
- 4. Wellhead Protection Clean Water 106 Grant
- 5. WIIN Grants
 - a. ECSDC
 - b.SUDC

ODW Funding 25 – 27 Biennium

Fee Accounts

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State Funding Challenges

No General Fund State support

Fees are not covering costs

Need statewide utility funding coordination

Federal Funding Challenges

PWSS Grant: history of stagnant funding & proposed to cut complete

SRF:

- Trump proposed to reduce funding due to redundance with WIFA
- Congressionally Direct Spending (Earmarks)

Questions

